RESOLUTION 1100 (2001)

CITY OF ELGIN

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM FOR STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON THE ELGIN CITY COUNCIL AND ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STUDENT COUNCILOR.

WHEREAS, the Elgin City Council recognizes the contribution the youth of Elgin can make to city government; and

WHEREAS, the Elgin City Council recognizes that participation in local government will have an educational benefit to the youth of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Elgin City Council recognizes that participation in governmental proceedings will create an interest, understanding, and desire to be responsibly involved citizens in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Elgin City Council recognizes the need for a councilor to identify and carry out events and activities for the community which are important to the youth of our community; and

WHEREAS, the student councilor will serve as an advocate for the needs of the youth in our community, acting as a liaison between City government and the youth of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Elgin City Council hereby establishes a program for naming a student representative to the City Council with the following criteria for their selection and responsibilities as Youth Councilor:

1. be at least a junior in high school,
2. be willing to commit the necessary time,
3. have parental approval for participation in the program,
4. have the approval of the high school principal and staff
5. complete the appropriate application,
6. participate in the interview process before the city council,
7. once appointed, will participate in at least 10 council meetings and shadow for a day each of the department heads,
8. will give a report at each council meeting on the activities of the youth councilor,
9. will receive a Council packet prior to all meetings and participate in all Council discussions, giving a non-legally binding advisory vote,
10. upon satisfactory completion of the term of service (the first council meeting in September through the first meeting in August) the student Councilor will receive a $500.00 scholarship to the college of their choice.

PASSED by the Elgin City Council this 10th day of April, 2001.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 10th day of April, 2001. Berta Churchill

Berta Churchill, Mayor

ATTEST Joe Garlitz.

Joe Garlitz, City Administrator